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ASSESSMENT ROLL GROWS

ASSESSOR'S WORK COMPLETED

Total Valuation of $1,420,275 Is Shown With a Large Net Increase Over Last Year

City assessment rolls for the current year have just been completed by City Assessor Perry, with the assistance of Max Wolff, showing a considerable increase over that of last year. The total valuation shown is $1,420,275. Of this amount $54,140 is exempt from local taxation, leaving a net taxable valuation of $1,366,135. This figure is of course subject to change by the city trustees sitting as a board of equalization. They will begin their work next Monday morning, continuing with daily sessions until each item on the roll has been considered.

Assessments are classified as follows: Land, $873,440; Improvements, $459,625; Personal, $87,2'0. The $54,140 of property which is exempt from local taxation is classified as follows: Used for religious purposes, $4,930; Used for school purposes, $12,300; Property of veterans of U. S. wars, $5,270; Operative property of public service corporations, $30,800; Owned by city, $840. Last year's total of taxable property was $1,230,000, the increase this year being $136,135.

At the maximum rate of $1.00 on each $100 valuation this assessment roll would yield $13,661. Last year the total rate was 92 cents on each $100, divided as follows: General fund, 54 cents; bond interest and sinking fund, 26 cents; library fund, 12 cents. The money in the general fund from that levy is already exhausted, due partly to the extra expenses of the Baldwin condemnation suit. Inasmuch as the expenditures incurred from the present time until the next tax money begins to come in will have to be met out of the new levy, in addition to the expenses of the entire following fiscal year the taxpayers can hardly hope for such a low rate the coming year. However the expenses of the water suit will be refunded to the general fund after the bonds are sold, which is an uncertain date.

The State Tax System

Some citizens continue to worry about the fact that public service corporations are relieved from city and county taxation on their operating property, the exemption in Sierra Madre amounting to $30,800 as shown above. By the operation of what was known as constitutional amendment No. 1 it was planned to have such corporations pay all the state taxes, relieving private property therefrom. A simple calculation will show that the amendment saves several thousand dollars to the taxpayers of Sierra Madre in spite of the fact that the city loses some revenue.

Suppose the city tax rate were the maximum of $1 on each $100. On the $30,800 of corporation property which is now exempted that rate would yield $308. This may be considered as the revenue which is lost to the city by the operation of amendment No. 1. But at the same time the entire local assessment roll is exempted from state taxation. In 1910 when the last general levy was made for state purposes the rate was 35 cents on each $100. This rate applied to the local valuation of $1,366,135 would yield $4,781. Subtracting from this amount the $308 revenue lost to the city leaves a balance of $4,473 which is saved to the tax payers of Sierra Madre by that much reviled amendment.

To be sure the amendment does not operate in the same proportion everywhere. Counties like San Bernardino containing immense railroad valuations, and cities like Los Angeles and San Francisco with immense valuations in street railway, telephone, gas and electrical systems perhaps lose more revenue than is saved to the taxpayers by being exempted from state taxes. But small cities can hardly be said to have cause for complaint. And all sections of the state are benefited by being relieved from the abuses which arose from erroneous equalization of assessments of the various counties by the state board.

MEETING OF CITY TRUSTEES

At the outset of the meeting of the city trustees last evening an hour was spent with Attorney F. S. Dunlap of Los Angeles who appeared again to talk over the claim of H. F. Bridges for $490 alleged to be due for extra services during his term as city attorney. The members of the board repeated their former declarations to him to the effect that they did not regard any of the claims as valid. After trying vainly to make headway against that sentiment Mr. Dunlap finally gave up and retired.

W. S. Andrews appeared to discuss matters in connection with the new well and other water company affairs. A contract with the Byron Jackson Iron Works for temporary pump and motor equipment was ratified. Senator Hewitt has been unwilling to proceed with the consummation of the transfer of the water company's property to the city until the Baldwin condemnation suit is settled. Consequently it has been necessary to make a number of variations in the original contract of sale, particularly regarding the time limits for the various steps of the transaction. Upon his advice a resolution was introduced and adopted waiving all irregularities arising from that cause.

Mr. Andrews called attention to the fact that while the city is compelling property owners to rid their land of inflammable weeds some of the city streets and sidewalks still carry a vigorous crop of weeds and garss. Chairman Jones and Street Superintendent Udell assured him that considerable headway had already been made toward cleaning up the streets but that it had been necessary to stop the work for lack of funds. However, they hoped to be able to devise some means for proceeding and completing the work.

A communication was received from the board of supervisors bearing a warning regarding the alarming spread of infantile paralysis. More than 400 cases have been reported in the county, it is said. The supervisors urged that all public gatherings be dispensed with as far as possible and that local authorities cooperate with the county health officers, especially in the immediate reporting of cases of the disease. The trustees concurred in the action of the local board of health in asking that Sunday schools and other gatherings likely to attract children be discontinued for the present.

POLITICAL LINEUP

Politics are warming up with the weather these days. The primary election will be held on September 3, three weeks from next Tuesday. At that time voters who have registered their party affiliations will have a chance to vote on the party candidates for the November election. Then non-partisan candidates for the five positions in the superior bench will also be selected from the twenty-six aspirants who have filed their petitions. Herewith is a summary of the offices and candidates in which Sierra Madre voters are interested.

Five candidates have appeared for the Republican nomination for congressman. The new tenth district includes all that portion of the county outside of Los Angeles, together with Boyle Heights and some of the other east side precincts of the city. The candidates are as follows:

Charles W. Bell of Pasadena, state senator, chairman of Republican caucus at last session of legislature, Progressive, and has indorsement of the "committee of fifteen."

James McLachlan of Pasadena, former congressman from the old Los Angeles county district, reactionary, was one of the "lame duck" members of President Taft's monetary commission, defeated for Republican nomination in 1910 by Will D. Stephens, present congressman.

Sloan Pitzer of Alhambra, attorney, classifies as a Taft Republican.

Charles H. Randall of Los Angeles, publisher of Highland Park Herald, member of assembly, Progressive but opposed to the element at present in control of county central committee.

C. H. Windham of Long Beach, formerly mayor of that city, Progressive.

For state senator from the 35th district, Senator N. W. Thompson of San Gabriel will have no opposition at the primaries.

For assemblyman from the 69th district the fight is between Egbert J. Gates of South Pasadena and W. H. Evans of Monrovia. Mr. Gates was nominated by the conference of representatives from all the towns in the district and is a young man of great ability. He has the indorsement of the "committee of fifteen" which stamps him as a thoroughgoing progressive. Mr. Evans is perhaps better known in Sierra Madre, having given addresses at Board of Trade banquets and gained a reputation as an accomplished spellbinder. He represents the Taft wing of the party. Both gentlemen are clean and able men and the immediate interests of the district would doubtless be safe in the hands of either. This leaves the choice largely to be based upon the voter's preference for president, inasmuch as the members of the legislature will choose the presidential electors to go on the ticket at the November election. Mr. Gates is a Roosevelt man and Mr. Evans a Taft man. Take your choice.

Candidates for judicial honors are numerous. Twenty-six nominating petitions were filed. The entire list will appear on the ballots of all parties alike and be voted on by all. Each voter will be permitted to cast his ballot for five candidates. The ten names receiving the highest number of votes will go on the ballots at the November election in a non-partisan column and from this list the five superior judges will be elected. The twenty-six are as follows: Frank S. Adams, M. A. Breeden, George R. Davis, William Frederickson, Byron C. Hanna, G. Ray Horton, F. W. Houser, George H. Hutton, W. T. Kendrick, Stephen G. Long, Charles W. Long, Paul J. McCormick, Robert W. McDonald, Charles O. Morgan, Louis W. Myers, Edward L. Payne, James C. Rives, Henry H. Roser, J. H. Ryckman, Reuben S. Schmidt, Albert von Schriltz, J. W. Summerfield, Fred H. Taft, E. W. Tuttle, John M. York, Charles Wellborn.

OLD FIRM CHANGES

W. S. HULL OF WINNIPEG BUYS INTEREST OF J. J. GRAHAM IN HARDWARE STORE

W. S. Hull of Winnipeg, Man., has purchased from J. J. Graham his interest in the hardware business conducted heretofore by the firm of Clark & Graham. Plans for the consolidation of the two stores of the firm in the new building erected for them by C. S. Kersting will be carried out practically without change. They will have one of the most attractive and completely stocked stores of the kind in any Southern California town outside of Los Angeles. The business will be conducted under the firm name of Sierra Madre Hardware Company.

Mr. Hull is an experienced hardware man and is rapidly making friends among the people of Sierra Madre. He came originally from Michigan but has recently been connected with the Canadian agency for E. M. F. automobiles at Winnipeg. C. W. Jones, an old friend, credits Mr. Hull with possessing a pair of broad and strong shoulders capable of undertaking a full share of the burden of making and maintaining an up-to-date community and as such he will find a warm welcome among the workers for the community's good.

Mr. Graham has made no definite plans for the future except as to regaining his somewhat shattered health. He will take a vacation until he is able to begin business with some assurance of being able to stay with it. About the first "medicine" is likely to be a fishing trip and some life in the open. His many friends will regret to lose him from the business community and hope for his return to their circle at an early date.

PREPARING FOR ENCAMPMENT

Captain J. A. Osgood is one of the busiest of Sierra Madre men these days. The reason is the near approach of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic which takes place in Los Angeles next month. He was a member of the California delegation which attended last year's encampment and secured the event for Los Angeles, having been a member of Stanton Post in Los Angeles for many years. He has been drafted for service by Captain H. Z. Osborne, head of the committee on arrangements, and is assisting in the plans to make the encampment the most notable ever held by the veterans of the Grand Army.

NEW I.O.G.T. OFFICERS

GOOD TEMPLARS HOLD REGULAR MEETING AND INITIATE NEW MEMBERS INTO ORDER

Several new members were initiated into the mysteries of the order at the last regular meeting of the lodge of Good Templars. A number of members of Pasadena lodge were present. The following officers were elected and installed:

Chief Templar, L. Mildred Sherman.
Past Chief Templar, Mrs. A. J. Rust.
Vice Templar, Rudolph Hartman.
Chaplain, James Sparks.
Treasurer, Earl Littell.
Financial Secretary, Verna Trible.
Recording Secretary, Ruth Sparks.
Asst. Secretary, Ruth Hannaford.
Marshal, Harold Sherman.
Deputy Marshal, Marjorie Wright.
Guard, Joseph Evans.
Sentinel, Harold Flint.
Pianist, Isabel Langton.
Messenger, Curtis Flint.

After the business session a social hour was enjoyed by those present. Refreshments were served.

The next regular meeting of the lodge will be held on Monday evening, August 12. There will be an initiation of new members. All members are urged to be present.

RUTH SPARKS, Secretary.

Mrs. W. J. Lawless and Mrs. L. C. Torrance attended a luncheon on Wednesday in Los Angeles, given by the Los Angeles Civics Club at the California Club The luncheon was given in honor of Mrs. Nathan of New York who is president of the National Consumers League.

Miss Jean M. Scott left Tuesday for San Francisco where she will remain until the middle of September. During her absence the Whitworth home will be occupied by her friend, Miss A. F. Frink, of Rochester, New York.

Mrs. W. S. Bovard and two children, Burton and Alice May, left Thursday for their home in Athens, Tenn., after spending the past year in Sierra Madre with Mrs. Bovard's sister, Miss Alice Tufts. Gilbert Bovard will remain in Sierra Madre and attend the University of Southern California the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Conard entertained a number of their friends on Wednesday afternoon at tennis. Later a delicious supper was served under the trees. Those present were Mrs. Collins, the Misses Humphries, Dorothy Humphries, Janet Stevenson, Edith Steinberger, Daisy Hawks, and Katherine Crisp, Messrs. Davenes, Baugh, Scott and Collins.

WARNING TO PARENTS

Board of Health Urges Caution in Care of Children

Precautionary steps were taken at a meeting of the board of health yesterday, owing to the epidemic of infantile paralysis prevalent in Los Angeles and other places. A resolution was adopted requesting that Sunday schools and other gatherings of children be discontinued during a month at least. It was reported to the board that no cases had appeared in Sierra Madre and it was thought best to do everything possible to prevent the spreading of infection in case any should appear.

Complaint has recently come from a number of sources regarding the appearances of an unusual number of mosquitoes, heretofore an almost unknown pest in Sierra Madre. Search for possible breeding places revealed a great many more or less permanent mud puddles about leaking hydrants and water meters. These afford ideal places for mosquito propagation. A number of such places were drained and oil applied to prevent further habitation by the pests. Property owners are urged by the board to examine their premises carefully and see that all such places are given the proper treatment. This would be to stop the leaks, drain off surplus moisture, and in case it is not possible to keep the place dry, to apply oil to prevent further propagation of mosquitoes.

Mrs. L. C. Torrance, Mrs. C. C. Montgomery and Mrs. C. C. Nourse spent Tuesday in Los Angeles visiting the Maternity Cottage and Children's Hospital. These three ladies are interested in the philanthropic work of the Dickens Fellowship and will report their work at the first meeting which will be held early in the fall.

Mrs. C. E. Cook and daughter Miss Gertrude Cook have returned to their home after a four weeks' outing at Long Beach and Del Mar, San Diego county. In Long Beach Mrs. Cook and daughter were visiting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Gresham and at Del Mar were the guests of a friend at the Stratford Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. John Watry of Los Angeles were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bergein for a few days. Mrs. Bergein returned with them to Los Angeles where she will remain a week.

At a meeting of the Independent Order of Scouts, Douglas Saunders was elected captain, taking the place of Jack Inmankane.

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CAUTION FOR WATER USERS

DIRECTORS ISSUE STATEMENT

Temporary Arrangement at Pumping Plant Causes Increase in Expense of Operation

The News has received from the directors of the Water Company for publication the following statement regarding the use of water in excess of the apportionment of gravity water:

"To Water Users:

"At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors held on the evening of the 5th inst., the superintendent reported that owing to the usual falling off in the supply of gravity water at this season of the year, together with a greatly increased consumption, he had been compelled to draw upon the new well, in order to meet the demands of consumers.

"A committee of the Board of Directors have for some weeks past been preparing for the contingency by installing a temporary plant to handle the water from the new well and by making certain changes in the company's mains to facilitate its distribution.

"This work having been recently completed the superintendent has been able to fill up the depleted reservoirs and is now in a position to supply all reasonable demands.

"From the report, made by the superintendent, as to the consumption of water during the past month, it seemed evident to the Board that there is at present, to say the least, a great lack of ordinary economy on the part of many consumers.

"Of course, all consumers who used more than their gravity allotment in July, will have to pay the usual 10 cents per 1000 gallons for cost of pumping their extra water.

"It is impossible for the directors to state in advance what will be the cost of pumping and the consequent charge for extra water in August and the rest of the season, until after some weeks of experience in working the newly installed temporary pumping plant.

"But the fact that the board, owing to the present unsettled status of the Company, and to the lack of time to instal a permanent plant, had such a course been practicable, have had to resort to temporary expedients and rented machinery and power, it is certain that the cost of pumping will of necessity be greater.

"It will naturally follow that a considerably higher charge will have to be made for all extra water consumed. Until it can be ascertained what that extra charge shall be the Board desires to warn consumers in advance what to expect, so that they may economize as much as possible.

"This increased price for extra water is, of course, only temporary. Some members of the committee are of the opinion that when a permanent plant is erected, to handle an increased volume of water, the present charge of ten cents per 1000 gallons may be reduced."

DEER SEASON NEAR

HUNTERS ARE OILING UP THEIR SHOOTING IRONS FOR BIG GAME

Next Thursday, August 15, marks the opening of the deer season in Southern California. The hunters are putting their rifles into shape and preparing to go after the big game—that is, big according to Southern California standards, the little deer being about the only game to be found bigger than a jackrabbit.

Deer are said to be more plentiful this year than was the case last year. Few were seen and fewer shot last season in the mountains near Sierra Madre. The reason for that was obviously the great slaughter which took place two years ago when fully forty bucks were killed within a few miles of Sierra Madre. As a result the bucks which were not killed off that season wisely sought safer pastures.

Last year the season was shortened to one month which also had some effect in reducing the number of bucks killed. The short season still remains in effect, closing on September 15.

The dove season opens on September 1st and continues until November 1st. Mountain quail, grouse and sage hen may be shot at the same time and until December 1st, but valley quail may not be shot until October 10th.

Mrs. Arthur Horton of Alegria avenue entertained on Tuesday with a costume luncheon, all the guests appearing in fancy and unique costume. Decorations in keeping with the costumes were to be found in the dining room and hand painted place cards were used as favors. During the afternoon the guests enjoyed an unique dance by Mrs. Sjuestrum who is a sister of Mrs. Horton. Those present were Mesdames Nightingale, D utch, Taylor, Goodfellow, Davis, Sjuestrum, and Miss Titts.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawless and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Letteau returned this week from an extended motor trip in Northern California where they visited relatives in Monterey and San Francisco.

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Mrs. S. C. Davis and Mrs. Mary Davis Goodfellow left Thursday for Catalina Island where they will stay a week or ten days at the Hotel Metropole in Avalon. Mr. Claude Davis expects to join them on Saturday for a few days.

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Brief Items of Interest

Mrs. Kate Holmes is the possessor of a fine new Apperson touring car.

John H. Burton of Venice was the guest of George Humphries on Monday.

S. N. Davis of Los Angeles has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. S. C. Davis this week.

Mrs. Howard Hill, Miss Ruth Miller and Miss Hazel Hill have gone to Balboa for an outing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barnes returned last Thursday from Long Beach after an absence of a month.

Mrs. W. K. Maull of San Diego is enjoying a visit at the home of her parents, Prof. and Mrs. E. T. Pierce.

Miss Titts of San Francisco is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Nightingale.

Mrs. W. E. Farman and daughter spent last week in Newport where they were the guests of Mrs. George Huntington.

Mrs. W. E. Farman is having as guests her niece, Mrs. Chester Dake, and son who have recently come from Dakota.

Miss Dorothy Gresham who has recently returned from Alameda has been the guest this week of Miss Janet Stevenson.

Prof. and Mrs. E. T. Pierce had as guests on Sunday Mrs. Frank Ainsworth and her sister, Mrs. L. Stokes of Los Angeles.

Mrs. C. W. Jones and Miss Virginia left Thursday for Mount Wilson where they will be guests at the hotel for a week or ten days.

Mrs. E. M. Brooks has returned from a ten days' visit in Los Angeles where she has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. D. P. Moody.

W. S. Hull who has purchased the interest of J. J. Graham in the hardware business has taken the Hearle cottage for a month.

Miss Gertrude Cook has had as guests this week Mrs. M. D. McDowell of Portland, Oregon, and Miss Mae Flint of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Shimmon of Pasadena and Mr. and Mrs. William Shimmon of Newburg, Ohio, visited W. P. Caley on Sunday.

Miss Margaret Billeck of Claremont returned Monday to her home after having spent the past month as the guest of Miss Garnet Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Simonds of Los Angeles have rented the Stevenson home on Laurel avenue and expect to reside here the remainder of the summer.

Miss Edith Steinberger returned Monday evening from Berkeley where she has been attending the summer session of the University of California.

J. A. Thompson who is sojourning at Ocean Park, came up on Tuesday with Rev. Mr. Walker of Douglas, Ariz., showing him the beauties of Sierra Madre.

Alfred A. Scott of Topeka, Kansas, who is spending the summer in California is visiting his brother, Willard Scott, for a few days. Mr. Scott is an attorney for the Santa Fe.

Mrs. H. W. Bullock, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Margaret, left Thursday for their home in Cheyenne, Wyoming, after spending the last two months in Sierra Madre as the guests of her mother, Mrs. M. M. Olds.

Mrs. J. Henderson Childs and Miss Vega Brugman were guests at a luncheon and card party in Los Angeles on Wednesday. The luncheon was given by Mrs. E. W. Hayward and her daughter Miss Jessie Hayward of Budlong avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. R. Moote and two daughters left last week for Long Beach where they expect to remain three or four weeks. During their absence Mr. Moote's aunt, Mrs. Francis J. Scott, and son Reginald of Toronto, Canada, will occupy their hoe on Auburn avenue.

Harold Pegler is spending a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Peglar.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson of San Francisco were the guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hartman and Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Hannaford spent last Friday in Long Beach.

Miss Julia Nichols has been spending the past week in Pasadena where she has been visiting friends.

Mr. Norval McGregor has returned from the Pasadena hospital where he has been ill for some time.

Mr. Gottlieb left Sunday for New York after spending the last month with his son, William Gottlieb.

Messrs. George and Edgar Gill of Los Angeles were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones on Sunday.

Mrs. Jerome Rice and Miss Marjorie Rice have gone to Newport where they will spend the remainder of the summer.

NEW TELEPHONES

The following telephones have been installed by the Sierra Madre Telephone & Telegraph Company since the last directory was issued. Cut out this list and paste it in your 'phone book:

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Green 68 Watkins, Mrs. Clara, N. Auburn.
Green 61 Willard, E. R., 390 W. Highland.

Changes in Number

Blue 14 Stevens, M. (formerly Blue 27.)
Main 4 First National Bank (formerly Black 34.)
Main 111 Krebs, Dr. L. L. (formerly Red 30.)
Red 82 Mead, E. W. (formerly Blue 107.)
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NOTICE OF SALE OF FRANCHISE

Notice is hereby given that an application has been made to the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre for the sale by the said City of Sierra Madre, according to law, of a franchise granting the right and privilege to the successful bidder for the same, and his or its successors or assigns, for the laying, constructing, maintaining and keeping for a period of fifty (50) years of the water mains and laterals along, over and under the following streets in the City of Sierra Madre, to-wit: Commencing at a point in the northeasterly line of East Alegria Street where North Canon Avenue intersects the northerly line of said East Alegria Avenue, running thence south along North Canon Avenue to the south line of East Central Avenue, and also extending from said North Canon Avenue westerly along East Highland Avenue to the westerly line of North Mountain Trail Avenue, for the purpose of conducting and carrying water for domestic use and irrigation; provided, however, that the said water mains and laterals shall at all times be laid, constructed, maintained and kept, and the said right, privilege and franchise is hereby granted and shall be at all times exercised and enjoyed in accordance with, and subject to, each and every one of the terms and conditions in this notice and not otherwise.

That the said grantee shall so lay, construct, maintain and keep said water mains and laterals so that the same shall, in no case, be less than eighteen (18) inches below the surface of the said streets in the said City of Sierra Madre, in accordance with the official grades established thereon.

That it shall be lawful for the said grantee to make all necessary and needful excavations and openings in said streets of the said city; provided, however, that said grantee shall submit plans and specifications for the construction of such water mains and laterals to the said Board of Trustees, which plans and specifications must be approved by the said Board of Trustees before work in connection therewith is commenced; and provided further that all work under said franchise that shall be done and performed upon said streets, in excavating and repairing the same shall be in strict compliance with the rules or ordinances which have been, or may hereafter be adopted by the said Board of Trustees of the said city, and under the direction and supervision and to the satisfaction of the Street Superintendent of the said city.

That where work is done under said franchise said grantee shall, forthwith upon the completion of said wark, restore the said streets that have been excavated or disturbed, to the same order and condition in which they were prior to the commencement of such work, and in compliance with such rules or ordinances which have been or may hereafter be adopted by the Board of Trustees concerning the same, and the surface thereof shall be securely supported so as not to impair or hinder the use or enjoyment by the public of such streets.

That upon the grading or re-grading, or other improvement of any of said streets said water mains and laterals shall be re-laid so as to be not less than eighteen (18) inches below the surface of said streets, at the expense of said grantee. And in case said grantee shall fail to re-lay said water mains and laterals as hereinbefore set forth, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the said Street Superintendent of the city for a period of ten (10) days after the service thereof upon said grantee, in the said City of Sierra Madre, of notice by the said Street Superintendent so to do, then he, the said Street Superintendent, shall have the right to enter upon such streets and do and perform the work o frelaying said water mains and laterals, upon being directed to do so by the said Board of Trustees; provided, that if such work is so done by the said Street Superintendent, the said Street Superintendent shall keep an itemized account of the cost of said work, which the said grantee of said franchise, by the acceptance of the right and privilege hereby granted, and in consideration thereof, agrees to pay immediately upon presentation to the said grantee, in the said City of Sierra Madre, and a failure or refusal by said grantee of said franchise to pay for the cost of such work done and performed by the said Street Superintendent, shall ipso facto work a forfeiture of said franchise and of all rights thereunder, to the said City of Sierra Madre.

That the said City of Sierra Madre expressly reserves the right to grade or re-grade, pave or re-pave, macadamize or re-macadamize, sewer or re-sewer, plank or re-plank, gutter or re-gutter, curb or re-curb, repair, improve or oil any of the streets in the said City of Sierra Madre or to lay gas, water, or other pipes thereon, such work to be done so as to injure said grantee's said water mains and laterals as little as possible.

That said grantee shall, during the life of said franchise pay to the City of Sierra Madre, in lawful money of the United States, two (2) per cent of the gross annual receipts of such grantee, arising from the use, operation, and possession of said franchise. No percentage shall be paid for the first five (5) years succeeding the date of said franchise, but thereafter such percentage shall be paid annually; and in the event said payment is not made as aforesaid, said franchise shall be forfeited. It shall be the duty of said grantee to file with the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre at the expiration of six (6) years from the date of the granting of said franchise, and at the expiration of each and every

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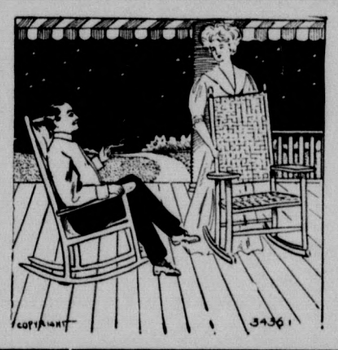
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A GIRL OF THE LIMBERLOST

By

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SYNOPSIS

Although a good scholar, Elnora Comstock, entering high school, is abashed by her country dress. She needs $20 for books and tuition fees. Her mother is unsympathetic, and Elnora tells her troubles to Wesley Sinton, an old neighbor.

When Elnora was born her father was drowned in a swamp, embittering her mother's life. Elnora determines to raise money by gathering forest specimens. The Sintons buy clothes for her.

Elnora, getting her books cheaply, finds a market with the Bird Woman for butterflies, Indian relics, etc.

Mrs. Comstock's devotion to her husband's memory will not permit her to sell trees or have oil wells dug on her land. The Sintons bring Elnora new clothing.

Elnora is delighted with her outfit. Her mother says she must pay for it. Wesley and Margaret Sinton discuss the girl's affairs.

Pete Corson, a Limberlost frequenter, warns Elnora not to visit the Limberlost at night or go far into the swamp at any time.

Billy, a bright but untrained little chap, with a shiftless father and hungry brother and sister, gets Elnora's luncheon. Wesley, troubled by Corson's warning, investigates.

Sinton finds some one has been spying on Elnora. The girl feeds Billy again. She is "taken up" by the high school girls.

Billy's father dies, and the lad is taken home by Sinton, who makes provision for his brother and sister.

Margaret finds Billy mischievous, but her heart softens, and he is adopted. Pete helps Elnora to collect specimens. She buys a Mark Twain book for her mother.

Elnora, having musical talent, is told by Margaret of her father's violin in secret keeping. Margaret gets the violin for the girl.

Her high school course completed, Elnora needs money for graduation expenses. She needs two yellow Emperor moths to complete a collection. Graduation exercises begin.

Mrs. Comstock will not help Elnora to get a graduation gown. The girl is dressed by the Bird Woman, but Mrs. Comstock later gives hand embroidered garments to her.

Mrs. Comstock ignorantly destroys the moth needed by Elnora. She learns her husband was unfaithful and regrets her unkindness to Elnora. She will try to capture a moth for Elnora.

Mrs. Comstock and Elnora, hunting specimens, are joined by a young man who offers his help.

CHAPTER XV.

Wherein Elnora Is Graduated With the Bird Woman's Help.

As Elnora rode to the city she answered Wesley's questions in monosyllables so that he thought she was nervous or rehearsing her speech and did not care to talk. Several times the girl tried to tell him and realized that if she said the first word it would bring a torrent of tears. The Bird Woman opened the screen and stared unbelievingly.

"Why, I thought you would be ready; you are so late!" she said. "If you have waited to dress here we will have to hurry."

"I have nothing to put on," said Elnora.

In bewilderment the Bird Woman drew her inside.

"Did—did"— she faltered, "did you think you would wear that?"

"No. I thought I would telephone Ellen that there had been an accident and I could not come. I don't know yet how to explain. I'm too sick to think. Oh, do you suppose I can get something made by Tuesday so that I can graduate?"

"Yes, and you'll get something on you tonight, so that you can lead your class, as you have done for four years. Go to my room and take off that gingham quickly. Anna, drop everything and come help me."

The Bird Woman ran to the telephone and called Ellen Brownlee.

"Elnora has had an accident. She will be a little late," she said. "You have got to make them wait. Have them play an extra musical number before the march."

Then she turned to the maid. "Tell Benson to have the carriage at the gate just as soon as he can get it there. Then come to my room. Bring the thread box from the sewing room, that roll of wide white ribbon on the cutting table and gather all the white pins from every dresser in the house. But first come with me a minute.

"I want that trunk with the Swamp Angel's stuff in it from the cedar closet," she panted as they reached the top of the stairs.

They hurried down the hall together and dragged the big trunk to the Bird Woman's room. She opened it and began tossing out white stuff.

"How lucky that she left these things!" she cried. "Here are white shoes, gloves, stockings, fans, everything."

"I am all ready but a dress," said Elnora.

The Bird Woman began opening closets and pulling out drawers and boxes.

"I think I can make it this way," she said.

She snatched up a creamy lace yoke with long sleeves that recently had been made for her and held it out. Elnora slipped into it, and the Bird Woman began smoothing out wrinkles and sewing in pins. It fitted very well with a little lapping in the back. Next, from among the Angel's clothing she caught up a white silk waist with low neck and elbow sleeves, and Elnora put it on. It was large enough, but distressingly short in the waist, for the Angel had worn it at a party when she was sixteen. The Bird Woman loosened the sleeves and pushed them to a puff on the shoulders, catching them in places with pins. She began on the wide draping of the yoke, fastening it front, back and each shoulder. She pulled down the waist and pinned it. Next came a soft white silk dress skirt of her own. By pinning her waist band quite four inches above Elnora's, the Bird Woman could secure a perfect Empire sweep with the clinging silk. Then she began with the wide white ribbon that was to trim a new frock for herself, bound it three times around the high waist effect she had managed, tied the ends in a knot and let them fall to the floor in a beautiful sash.

"Elnora," she said, "forgive me, but tell me truly. Is your mother so extremely poor as to make this necessary?"

"No," answered Elnora. "She is—is different."

The Bird Woman turned the girl facing the tall mirror.

"Oh!" panted Elnora. "Is that me? You are a genius! Why, I will look as well as any of them."

The organ began rolling out the march as they came in sight. Elnora took her place at the head of the procession, while every one wondered.

Mrs. Comstock gripped her hands together and shut her eyes. It seemed an eternity to the suffering woman before Margaret caught her arm and whispered: "Oh, Kate! For any sake look at her! Here! The aisle across!"

Mrs. Comstock opened her eyes and, directing them where she was told, gazed intently and slid down in her seat on the verge of a collapse. She was saved by Margaret's tense grip and her command, "Here, idiot, stop that!"

In the blaze of light Elnora climbed the steps to the palm embowered platform, crossed it and took her place. Sixty young men and women, each of them dressed the best possible, followed her. There were manly, fine looking men in that class which Elnora led. There were girls of beauty and grace, but not one of them was handsomer or clothed in better taste than she.

Billy thought the time would never come when Elnora would see him, but at last she caught his eye, then Mar-

"Oh!" panted Elnora. "Is that me?"

garet and Wesley got faint signs of recognition in turn, but there was no softening of the girl's face and no hint of a smile when she saw her mother.

Heartsick, Katharine Comstock gripped her seat and tried to prove to herself that she was justified in what she had done, but she could not.

When at last the exercises were over she climbed into the carriage and rode home without a word. She did not hear what Margaret and Billy were saying. She scarcely heard Sinton, who drove behind, when he told her that Elnora would not be home until Wednesday. Early the next morning Mrs. Comstock was on her way to Onabasha. She was waiting when the Brownlee store opened. She examined ready made white dresses, but they had only one of the right size, and it was marked $40. Mrs. Comstock did not hesitate over the price, but whether the dress would be suitable. She would have to ask Elnora. She inquired her way to the home of the Bird Woman and knocked.

"Is Elnora Comstock here?" she asked the maid.

"Yes, but she is still in bed. I was told to let her sleep as long as she would."

"Maybe I could sit here and wait," said Mrs. Comstock. "I want to see about getting her a dress for tomorrow. I am her mother."

"Then you don't need wait or worry," said the girl cheerfully. "There are two women up in the sewing room at work on a dress for her right now. It will be done in time, and it will be a beauty."

Mrs. Comstock turned and trudged back to the Limberlost. The bitterness in her soul became a physical actuality and water would not wash the taste of wormwood from her lips. She was too late. She was not needed. Another woman was mothering her girl. Another woman would prepare a beautiful dress such as Elnora had worn last night. The girl's love and gratitude would go to her. Mrs. Comstock tried the old process of blaming someone else, but she felt no better. She nursed her grief as closely as ever in the long days of the girl's absence.

Among Elnora's graduation gifts was a queerly shaped package brought to the Bird Woman's by Billy. The Bird Woman bent over her as she opened it and tested the fabric with her fingers.

"Why, bless my soul!" she cried. "Hand woven, hand embroidered linen, fine as silk. It's priceless! I haven't seen such things in years. My mother had garments like those when I was a child, but my sisters had them cut up for collars, belts and fancy waists while I was small. Look at the exquisite work!"

"Where could it have come from?" cried Elnora.

She shook out a petticoat with a hand wrought ruffle a foot deep, then an old fashioned chemise the neck and sleeve work of which was elaborate and perfectly wrought. On the breast was pinned a note that she hastily opened.

"I was married in these," it read. "And I had intended to be buried in them, but perhaps it would be more sensible for you to graduate and get married in them yourself if you would like. Your mother."

"From my mother!" Wide eyed, Elnora looked at the Bird Woman. "Do you suppose she can be insane?"

"Yes," said the Bird Woman, "stark, staring mad—wildly insane if she does not love you and care what becomes of you."

Elnora arose and held the petticoat to her. "Will you look at it!" she cried. "Only imagine her not getting my dress ready and then turning around and sending me such a petticoat as this! Ellen would pay $100 for it and never blink. I suppose mother has had it all my life, and I never saw it before."

"Go take your bath and put on those things," said the Bird Woman. "Forget everything and be happy. She is not insane; she is embittered."

Soon Elnora was ready for her dress. She never had looked so well as when she again headed the procession across the flower and palm decked stage of the high school auditorium. When she looked into the eyes of a white faced woman next to Wesley and Margaret she slipped a hand to her side and raised her skirt the fraction of an inch, just enough to let the embroidered edge of a petticoat show a trifle. When she saw the look of relief which flooded her mother's face Elnora knew that forgiveness was in her heart and that she would go home in the morning.

It was late afternoon before she arrived, and a dray followed with a load of packages. Mrs. Comstock was overwhelmed. She sat half dazed and made Elnora show her each costly and beautiful or simple and useful gift, tell her carefully what it was and from where it came. She studied the faces of Elnora's particular friends intently. The gifts from them had to be selected and set in a group. Several times she started to speak and then stopped. At last between her dry lips came a harsh whisper.

"Elnora, what did you give back for these things?"

Elnora handed her mother a handsome black walnut frame a foot and a half wide by two long. It finished a small shallow glass covered box of birch bark, to the bottom of which clung a big night moth with delicate pale green wings and long, exquisite trailers. A more beautiful thing would have been difficult to imagine.

"I must get to work, for it is almost June, and there are a few more I want dreadfully," said Elnora. "When I get them I will be paid some money for which I have worked a long time."

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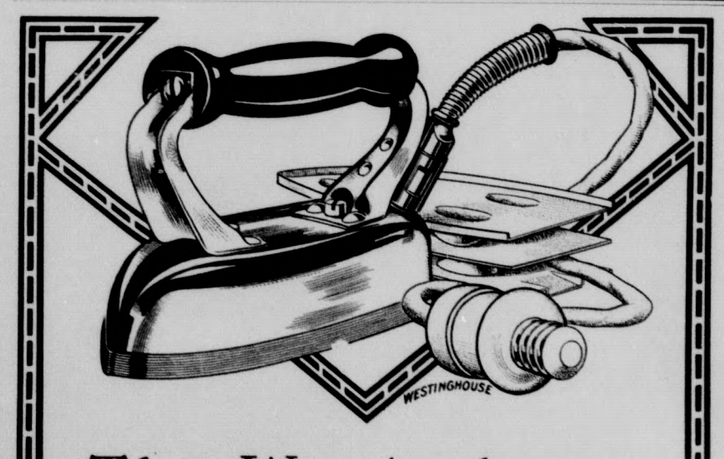

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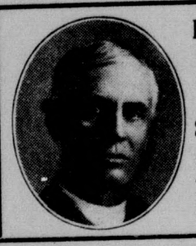
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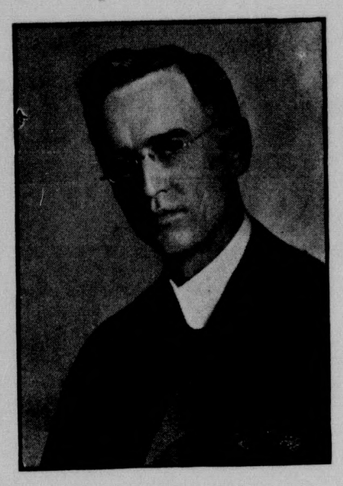
CHARLES WELLBORN FOR JUDGE

Strongly Backed by Members of Bar Association

At the solicitation of 30 of the leading members of the bar of Los Angeles county, as well as of heads of departments and other officials of the city, Charles Wellborn, member of the public service commission, has announced his candidacy for the superior bench of the county.

The members of the bar association, including such men as W. J.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Hunsaker, T. E. Gibbon, Oscar A. Trippet, L. H. Valentine, John W. Kemp, Judge Wheaton L. Gray, John D. Pope, Sheldon Borden, E. W. Britt, George H. Smith, John C. North, Lucius K. Chase, G. C. De Garmo, John G. Mott, Charles Cassatt Davis and others, in the communication which they all signed and sent to Mr. Wellborn said: 'We are vitally interested in the election of honest, able and conscientious superior court judges. The volume and importance of the business transacted by our superior court require that these positions be filled by lawyers of known ability, experience and integrity. We are convinced that you possess all these qualifications, and are especially well qualified for a judicial position, and therefore urge that you become a candidate at the coming primary election." The signers also promised to give Wellborn active support in the campaign.

Many Sign at City Hall

About the same time a petition was circulated at the city hall, headed by Mayor Alexander and signed by C. H. Hance, Walter Mallard, W. M. Humphreys, John S. Meyers, Lorin A. Handley, George W. McDill, George B. Anderson, Rolland P. Bishop, W. T. Bishop, Frank F. Schumacher, Percy F. Schumacher, Richard M. Bishop and others, asking Wellborn to run. To both he gave a favorable answer.

Mr. Wellborn is the oldest son of Judge Olin Wellborn, United States judge in this district. He was born in Atlanta, Ga., in 1857, and lived for a short time in Texas, where his father was elected to congress, and took his family to Washington. There the son received most of his education and attended Columbian university, being graduated from the law department. He came to California in 1887 and settled in San Diego, where he was admitted to the bar, and entered the offices of a firm composed of Judge Wellborn, John D. Works and John T. Jones. He came to Los Angeles in 1896 and has lived here since and practiced law continuously.

"Drafted" for Police Board

In 1911 Mr. Wellborn was one of those "drafted" by the mayor to serve on the police commission. He made an excellent record and at the end of a year was promoted by the mayor to the public service commission, formerly the water board. He is still serving there. He has been active in the Good Government organization and its various campaigns and has served the city in other ways. He was a member of the charter amendment committee appointed by the council in 1909 and is now serving as a member of the city board of freeholders, and the county board of freeholders, which are preparing new charters for the city and county, respectively. During his service on these boards he has devoted a great deal of time to the study of municipal charters and has become a recognized authority on such subjects.

JUDGE FREDERICK W. HOUSER

Frederick W. Houser, one of the judges of the superior court of this county, is a candidate for re-election. He is strongly endorsed by the members of the legal profession, as well as

JUDGE FREDERICK W. HOUSER

by the leading business men of the county. During the six years he has been on the bench, he has gained the confidence and respect of the public by his independence, strict impartiality, and wise and just interpretation and application of the law. Prior to his elevation to the bench, Judge Houser served two terms in the legislature of this state; and for many years he has been an instructor in the college of law of the University of Southern California. Los Angeles county has been especially fortunate in the character of its judiciary, and Judge Houser has done much to uphold its honor and dignity. He deserves re-election.

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THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY

With the nomination of Roosevelt and Johnson at Chicago by the new Progressive party and the adoption of a thoroughly progressive platform the issues of the presidential campaign are definitely outlined. It is difficult to say whether the so-called Republican candidate or the platform of the first Chicago convention is the weaker or more unsatisfactory. The Democratic platform is actually better in most points except the tariff plank, states' rights and some other issues. Dr. Wilson looms far above President Taft in the writer's estimation. But the Progressive convention has gone so far ahead of both the others as to leave little ground for comparison.

The Progressive platform is at least ten years ahead of all the good points in both the other platforms combined. It is probably more progressive than there is a large popular demand for at the present time. That is one of its strongest recommendations, in the writer's opinion. That fact shows it was not written by a bunch of political opportunists with their ears to the ground in an effort to catch upon some popular issue, handing out the fewest progressive features that the people will stand for. As a matter of fact a study of the personnel of the platform committee reveals the names of some of the country's profoundest students of the science of government and of economics.

To be sure it may be that the practical politicians of the convention permitted a more radical platform than they really wanted with the idea that it would make no difference inasmuch as they might not be called upon to redeem the platform pledges. Nevertheless the platform sounds mighty good after the meaningless declarations of the older parties. It is a pace maker. It is a solid foundation for the slogan "Pass prosperity around." Application of its principles will not hurt anyone, big or little, who is engaged in legitimate business. And it will be a godsend to the under dog who now carries the bulk of the economic load.

As to the candidates, they are probably the strongest pair that could have been named. Any doubt as to Roosevelt's progressive standing must have been removed by his wonderful speech of Tuesday. He showed the grasp of fundamental principles vitally necessary to solution of the most pressing problems of the day. With Johnson as a running mate the country can look forward to a campaign which will be the most illuminating in the history of the country. The people of the country can look forward to sane discussion of principle instead of mere platform fireworks. Governor Johnson is so far above the average vice presidential candidates to give promise of making the office something better than a sad joke. As Roosevelt said, he is actually of presidential caliber at the present time. California can hardly spare him, and would not save for the larger work of the nation.

After Wilson's nomination the News said he would undoubtedly get the writer's vote unless a sound Republican appeared on a sound progressive platform. Roosevelt and Johnson look good enough on the latest Chicago platform. Here's one vote.

GOT ANY KICK COMIN'?

He wooed her when the hour was late;
his heart with love was twitchin',
And then her father butted in and
kicked him in the kitchen.
—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Another feller came to sing his love
beneath her casement;
Again her father butted in and kicked
him in the basement.
—Springfield Union.

Another one to woo this maid one evening forth did sally;
But the old man took a hand again and
kicked him in the alley.
—Scranton Tribune-Republican.

Then came another one to court and of
his love to tell 'er;
Alas, her dad, with purpose bad, then
kicked him in the cellar.
—San Francisco Star.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT AND EQUALIZATION

Notice is hereby given that the assessment rolls of the City of Sierra Madre have been completed and are now open for inspection at the office of the City Clerk in the City Hall: Also, that the Board of Trustees will meet in the City Hall at 10 o'clock a. m. on the second Monday in August, 1912, as a Board of Equalization, and carefully examine the assessment book and equalize the assessment of all property in said City; and said board will continue the examination thereof until the business of equalization is disposed of.

C. H. PERRY, City Clerk.

NOTICE OF SALE OF FRANCHISE

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year thereafter, during the life of said franchise, a statement verified by the oath of said grantee, showing the total gross receipts and gross earnings collected or received or in any manner gained or derived by the said grantee during the preceding twelve (12) months from all sales of water to all consumers thereof within the said City of Sierra Madre; and within ten (10) days after the time for filing the verified statement it shall be the duty of said grantee to pay to the Treasurer of the said City of Sierra Madre the aggregate sum of the said percentage upon the amount of the gross annual receipts arising from the use, operation, or possession of said franchise, determined and computed in the manner hereinbefore provided. And any neglect, omission or refusal by the said grantee to file said verified statement, or to pay the said percentage of the said gross annual receipts at the times or in the manner hereinbefore provided, shall ipso facto work a forfeiture of the franchise hereby granted, and of all rights thereunder to the said City of Sierra Madre.

That the work of laying and constructing said water mains and laterals shall be commenced in good faith within not more than four (4) months from the date of the granting of this franchise, and shall be continuously prosecuted thereafter in good faith and without unnecessary intermission or delay; and the said work of construction, erection, and installation as aforesaid shall be completed within not more than six months thereafter; that if said work be not commenced, prosecuted or completed within the times or in the manner so specified, said franchise shall ipso facto be forfeited to the said City of Sierra Madre.

That the said grantee shall not sell, transfer, or assign any of the rights or privileges granted by the said franchise, except by a duly executed instrument in writing, filed in the office of the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre; provided further, that nothing in said franchise shall be considered to grant to said grantee of such franchise any right to sell, transfer, or assign said franchise or any of the rights or privileges granted thereby except in the manner aforesaid.

That the said City of Sierra Madre expressly reserves the right to establish uniform rates for the sale of water in said city.

That the said City of Sierra Madre may at any time purchase the franchise to be granted hereunder, at the cost of laying and constructing said mains and laterals less reasonable depreciation within the boundaries of said franchise.

All the provisions, stipulations and conditions herein stated shall be equally binding upon and inure to the benefit of the grantee, his or its successors, grantees, legal representatives or assigns.

This advertisement and the granting of the franchise hereunder shall not be deemed in any way a recognition by the City of the ownership or grantee of his or its source of supply of water, to be used under said franchise, nor an estoppel against the City, nor waiver by said City or any claim to said sourse of supply or against said grantee by reason thereof.

That the said grantee of said franchise shall, within five (5) days after such franchise is awarded, file with the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre a bond running to the said City of Sierra Madre with at least two (2) good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the said Board of Trustees, in the penal sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200.00), conditioned that said grantee, or his or its successors or assigns, shall well and truly observe, fulfill, and perform each and every condition of said franchise, and that in case of any breach of condition of such franchise, the whole amount of the penal sum therein named shall be taken and deemed to be liquidated damages and shall be recoverable from the principal and sureties upon said bond.

That any neglect, failure, or refusal of the grantee to comply with any of the conditions of said franchise, shall, upon such neglect, failure or refusal, ipso facto effect a forfeiture thereof, and the said city, by its Board of Trustees, may thereupon declare said franchise forfeited and may exclude said grantee from having the use of said streets of the said city under the said franchise, and said grantee shall thereupon immediately surrender all rights in and to the same, and said franchise shall be forfeited and shall remain null and void and of no effect.

That sealed bids in writing will be received by the City Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre, who is ex-officio Clerk of this Board of Trustees, up to eight o'clock P. M. of the 12th day of September, 1912.

At the said time and place the governing body of the said City of Sierra Madre, to-wit, the said Board of Trustees, shall proceed to open said bids and at the same time of so opening said bids the President of the said Board of Trustees of said city will proceed to hear and receive the bids of any responsible person, firm or corporation present or represented, who may bid for said franchise or privilege a sum not less than ten per cent above the highest sealed bid therefor, and said bid so made may be raised not less than ten per cent by any responsible bidder; and said bidding may be so continued to be made and bids continue to be received by the said governing body through its said President, until finally said franchise shall be struck off, sold and awarded by said governing body through its said President to the said highest bidder therefor, in gold coin of the United States. Each sealed bid shall be accompanied with cash or a certified check payable to the Treasurer of said City of Sierra Madre for the full amount of said bid, and no sealed bids shall be considered unless said cash or check is enclosed therewith and the successful bidder shall deposit at least ten per cent of the amount of his bid with the Clerk of said City of Sierra Madre before the franchise shall be struck off to him; and if he shall fail to make such deposit immediately, then his bid will not be received and shall be considered as void and the said franchise shall then and there be again offered for sale to the bidder who shall make the highest cash bid therefor, subject to the same conditions as to deposit as above mentioned; said procedure shall be had until said franchise is struck off, sold, and awarded to a bidder who shall make the necessary deposit of at least ten per cent of the amount of his bid therefor. Said successful bidder shall deposit with the Clerk of the said City of Sierra Madre within twenty-four (24) hours after the acceptance of his bid, the remaining ninety per cent of the amount thereof, and in case he or it shall fail to do so, then the said deposit theretofore made will be forfeited and the said award of said franchise shall be void and the said franchise will then and there by said governing body, be again offered for sale to the highest bidder therefor, in the same manner and under the same restrictions as hereinbefore provided; and in case said bidder shall fail to deposit with the Clerk of said City of Sierra Madre the remaining ninety per cent of his bid within twenty-four (24) hours after its acceptance or award to him, the said franchise shall be set aside and the deposit theretofore made by him shall be forfeited and no further proceedings for the sale of said franchise shall be had unless the same shall be re-advertised and again offered for sale.

Dated this 25th day of July, 1912.
By order of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre.

C. H. PERRY,
City Clerk.

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A jolly party chaperoned by Mrs. J. H. Wright left Thursday morning for a month's outing at Chilao. Those in the party are Misses Elinor and Helen Coffeen of Pasadena and Janet Stevenson; Messrs. William Wright and John Coffeen of Pasadena.

Mrs. H. G. Flint and two sons, Harold and Curtis, have gone to Long Beach where they will remain during the month of August. Mr. Flint left Sunday for an extended motor trip through northern California, Washington and British Columbia.